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Sir:

In response to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences decision of 1/24/2008, Applicant requests to reopen prosecution under 37 C.F.R § 41.50(b) and submits the following amendment to application 10/681,497.

## **AMENDMENT**

Amended, Deleted and New Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

A Complete "Clean Sheet" Set of Claims is presented in Appendix A

New Evidence described in the Remarks section is contained in the attached IDS #4.